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CORRESPONDENCE/MEMORANDUMSTATE OF WISCONSIN
Department of Administration

Date: December 1, 1993
To: James Klauser, Secretary
From: Susan Jablonsky, Budget Analyst
Subject: S.16.505 for Lead Abatement

Request

The Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS) requests position authority for 2.5 FTE PRS project positions for the Division of Health (DOH) to conduct a lead-based paint abatement program with funds provided from the Department of Administration (DOA).

Analysis

The Division of Housing within DOA received a \$6 million dollar grant from the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to establish a lead-based paint abatement program. The three-year grant will provide \$1.6 million to three counties and 11 cities and Milwaukee will receive \$3.1 million for lead abatement projects. Grant funds will also be used for contracts with local public health agencies to test blood lead levels and with the State Laboratory of Hygiene (SLH) for blood analyses. DHSS will receive \$168,600 in FY94 and \$295,500 in FY95 to cover the costs of 2.5 FTE, equipment, education outreach, travel and the contract with the SLH.

Project staff will include two environmental health specialists, who will function as field staff providing technical assistance to local abatement project staff and a half-time program assistant. The number of positions and the position classifications are as agreed to by DOA's Division of Housing staff and approved by HUD. The project positions will continue through August 31, 1996.

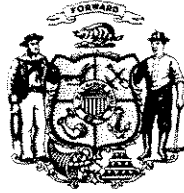
Under the grant review process, DOA must approve the grant proposal funding and number of positions prior to submission by the state to the federal granting agency. Once that approval has been granted, the state agency knows that when the paperwork to create the new position is submitted, the position creation will automatically be approved. However, when an agency is a subgrantee, as is the case here, that agency must request approval under the s.16.505 process to create a PRS position. Without these positions DHSS will be out of compliance with the terms of the grant agreement approved by HUD.

Recommendation

Approve the request for position authority to implement the lead-based paint abatement program.

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State of Wisconsin Department of Health and Social Services

October 15, 1993

Mr. Rick Chandler, Administrator
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Dear Mr. Chandler:

The Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS) requests 2.50 FTE project positions to be located in the Bureau of Public Health within the Division of Health (DOH). Authority for the project positions is requested for roughly a three-year period ending August 31, 1996. The positions will be funded under appropriation 20.435(1)(kx), Inter- and Intra-Agency Programs. Information regarding position classifications and responsibility area is listed below.

	<u>FTE</u>	<u>RA</u>	<u>Project End Date</u>
Environmental Hlth Spec-Senior	1.0	780	8/31/96
Environmental Hlth Spec-Obj	1.0	780	8/31/96
Program Assistant 1	.5	780	8/31/96

In addition, the DHSS requests additional expenditure authority of \$48,000 in FY 1994 and \$152,600 in FY 1995 in appropriation 20.435(1)(kx). The expenditure authority is consistent with the level of grant funding the DOH will to receive to offset anticipated staff costs and administrative expenses associated with the grant.

Background

On December 2, 1992, DHSS received a notice from the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) that the State had been awarded a three-year, \$6 million lead-based paint abatement grant. The focus of the grant is to provide abatement for low and moderate income housing units. Over the three year period, the grant will provide three counties and eleven cities (excluding Milwaukee) \$1.65 million to support lead based paint abatement activities. Milwaukee will receive \$3.14 million for abatement activities. Grant funds will also be used to offset local administrative costs and for contracting with local health agencies and the State Laboratory of Hygiene for testing and other services. Both the Division of Housing and the DOH will use grant funds to support staff and activities related to the HUD grant.

Mr. Richard Chandler

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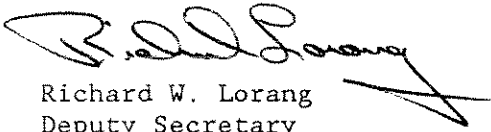
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The two environmental health specialist positions are field staff that will provide technical support and services to local agencies implementing lead based paint abatement programs under the HUD grant. The half-time program assistant position is needed to provide administrative support for the DOH lead based paint abatement program. The positions requested by the DOH are consistent with the grant application approved by the DOA and HUD.

This request could not be incorporated into the 1993-95 biennial budget request because negotiations to establish the final terms of the grant could not be conducted until late in the budget review process.

Please contact me at 266-9622 if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Richard W. Lorang". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name and title.

Richard W. Lorang
Deputy Secretary